Works begin at Pentecost's first wharf site

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Clearance work has started at the site where Pentecost's first-ever wharf will be built at Melsisi, marking the beginning of phase 2 of the tar-sealed road.

Albert Vireibo said the wharf site, where barges such as the MV Saravenua are normally beached, is now being cleared following the completion of phase 1 in Melsisi.

Heavy machinery has arrived to start construction of both the wharf and the second phase of the Pentecost tar-sealed road, he added.

"Clearance work has also begun for phase 2 of the road, which will connect phase 1 to Batnapni and Tanbok in Central Pentecost 1 (CP1)," Vireibo said.

The total cost of the two projects is VT3.24 billion, provided as a grant from the Government of the People's Republic of China. Construction will be carried out by Shanghai Construction Group (SCG).

Workers from SCG have arrived at Melsisi and have already begun clearing the sites. They also set up their camp and repaired a building previously used by Catholic nuns, which was destroyed by Category 5 Cyclone Harold. Their base has been constructed near the wharf site.

Vireibo explained that the two projects complement each other. "People need a good road to transport local products such as kava from Melsisi to be loaded onto ships at the wharf," he said.

Central Pentecost residents are the main producers of kava, a key source of income for local communities and a major contributor to government revenue. For years, they have lacked adequate infrastructure, including roads and ports, to support their livelihoods.

"Melsisi and Batnapni are the main points for exporting kava from Pentecost to local and international markets. They are also the busiest anchorages during the week," he said.

Vireibo said farmers will benefit more from phase 2 compared with phase 1. Phase 1 followed the coastal area from Pangi to Melsisi, while phase 2 will extend further inland, from Melsisi to Batnapni and Melsisi to Tanbok, better serving local farmers.

He added the two projects will complement the Melsisi hydropower project, which is scheduled to be commissioned this month.

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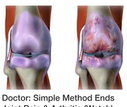

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